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MESSAGE

Per our telephone conversation of today, enclosed is a signed copy of Petition 1.313 as requested.

Best regards,

Vincent K. Shier, Ph.D.

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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: N-ALKYLASPARTYL DIPEPTIDE ESTER COMPOUNDS

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1625

: EXAMINER: OH, T.V.

: ALLOWED: APRIL 8, 2003

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR §1.313(c)(2)

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SIR:

Further to the Issue Fee paid on June 23, 2003, Petitioners respectfully request the Office to Withdraw the present allowed application from Issue under the provisions granted Petitioners by 37 CFR §1.313.

37 CFR §1.313(c) states:

"Once the issue fee has been paid, the application will not be withdrawn from issue upon petition by the applicant for any reason except: . . . (2) Consideration of request for continued examination in compliance with §1.114; . . ."

Concurrent with the present Petition, Applicants have filed a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with §1.114. A copy of the request for continued examination is attached for the convenience of the Petition's Office.

If prosecution of an application is closed and a Petition under 37 CFR §1.313 is granted, an applicant may request continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114 by filing a submission and a fee. Petitioners respectfully filed the appropriate fee set forth in 37 CFR

§1.17(e) required by 37 CFR §1.114. Further, Petitioners respectfully filed an appropriate submission under 37 CFR §1.114(c).

37 CFR §1.114(c) states:

“A submission as used in this section includes, but is not limited to, an information disclosure statement, an amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings, new arguments, or new evidence in support of patentability”

Petitioners have timely filed with the Request for Continued Examination, and an Information Disclosure Statement, and a list of related cases, which qualifies as an appropriate submission as set forth in 37 CFR §1.114(c). A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed for the convenience of the Petition's Office. Accordingly, Petitioners have timely filed a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with §1.114 as set forth above. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) the required fee for filing this 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 Petition is included herewith and, as such, Applicants have fulfilled the requirements for filing a Petition under 37 CFR §1.313.

It is requested that the Petition be GRANTED and the references cited on the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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